

Regulations

The federal government promulgated new regulations for used oil on Sept. 10, 1992. The regulations aim to protect human health and the environment and promote recovery of used oil.

Idaho adopted these used-oil regulations on Feb. 11, 1994. Used-oil handlers (transporters, processors, generators, and burners) are subject to all applicable spill prevention, control and countermeasures listed in 40 CFR part 112 and the Underground Storage Tank Standard in 40 CFR part 280, in addition to the used-oil requirements. Depending on the activities your facility engages in, other regulations may apply as well.

This brochure is intended as a guide to the used-oil regulations. If you would like to see a copy of the regulation, you can call the RCRA hotline at 1-800-424-9346. You can also look in the Federal Register from Sept. 10, 1992, or CFR 40 part 279. Both these publications are available in most libraries.

Used oil information series

This is part of a series of brochures on used oil. Other brochures cover used oil regulations for generators, transporters of used oil, and obtaining an EPA identification number in Idaho.

Used oil and the environment

- One pint of oil can make a slick an acre square.
- One quart of oil will foul the taste of 250,000 gallons of drinking water.
- Used oil mixed with hazardous waste can have toxic or carcinogenic effects on humans.

Minimize waste

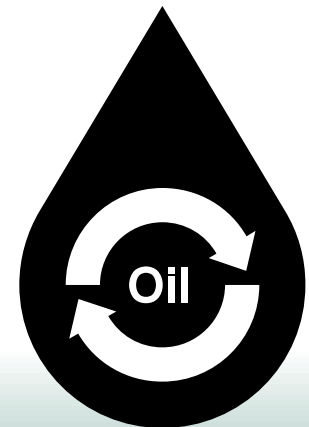
The greatest economic and environmental benefit can be realized by reducing the amount of waste produced. Try to reduce the amount of waste you produce first, then look for ways to recycle waste that can't be eliminated.

Consider collecting do-it-yourself (DIY) used oil. Not only are there benefits to your business, but your program really does make a difference to Idaho's environment.

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Your Guide to Idaho's Regulations for Burners of Off-Specification Used Oil



What are used-oil burners?

A used-oil burner is a facility where used oil, not meeting the specification requirements in 40 CFR §279.11, is burned for energy recovery in devices identified in 40 CFR §279.61 (a). The regulations for used-oil burners are found in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), 40 CFR part 279subpart G.

What are used-oil fuel marketers?

A used-oil fuel marketer is any person who:

- directs a shipment of off-specification used oil from their facility to a used-oil burner; or
- first claims that used oil to be burned for energy recovery meets the specifications set forth in 40 CFR §279.11.

Requirements for used oil burners

If your facility engages in either one or both of the above marketer activities listed under “Used Oil Fuel Marketers,” your facility is subject to 40 CFR part 279 subpart H, in addition to subpart G (See back of the transporter brochure).

Requirements for used-oil burners are listed below:

Used-oil burners must:

- obtain an EPA identification number;
- store used oil only in tanks that are in “good condition,” as defined in 40 CFR §279.22;
- label storage tanks, containers, and fill pipes “USED OIL;”
- process and store used oil in areas with oil-impervious flooring and secondary containment structures such as berms or dikes;
- clean up any used-oil spills or leaks to the environment;
- only burn used oil for energy recovery in industrial furnaces or boilers that meet the requirements of 40 CFR §260.10;
- not process used oil unless it complies with the requirements of 40 CFR subpart F—Standards of Used Oil Processors and Re-refiners; and
- provide each generator, transporter, or processor/re-refiner a one-time written and signed notice before the acceptance of the first shipment. This notice must contain the certification requirements specified in 40 CFR §279.66.

Used-oil burners may aggregate off-specification used oil with virgin oil, or on-specification used oil for purposes of burn-

ing, but may NOT aggregate for purposes of producing on-specification used oil.

Recordkeeping requirements

Track incoming and/or outgoing used oil in accordance with the recordkeeping requirements of 40 CFR §279.65. These records may take the form of a log, invoice, manifest, bill of lading or other shipping documents. The recordkeeping requirements stipulate that records must be maintained for a minimum of three years.

Records must include:

- name and address of transporter who delivered the used oil to the burner;
- name and address of generator/provider of the used oil;
- EPA Id # of the transporter;
- EPA Id # of the generator/provider, if applicable; and
- quantity and date of acceptance of the used oil.